

Annual List of Rulemaking Activity
Rules Adopted January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019
Prepared by the Secretary of State pursuant to 5 MRS §8053-A sub-§5

Agency name: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards, **Board of Occupational Safety and Health**
Umbrella-Unit: **12-179**
Statutory authority: 26 MRS §570
Chapter number/title: **Ch. 8**, Occupational Safety and Health Standards for Whistleblowers / Discrimination in the Public Sector
Filing number: **2019-110**
Effective date: 7/7/2019
Type of rule: Routine Technical
Emergency rule: No

Principal reason or purpose for rule:

The purpose of this chapter is to incorporate by reference where applicable rules governing Occupational Safety and Health as promulgated by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration at 29 CFR Part 1977 as of June 1, 2018.

Basis statement:

Adoption of this work rule establishes procedures and standards to prohibit discrimination against public employee(s) reporting unsafe and unhealthful working conditions.

Fiscal impact of rule:

(No response)

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Umbrella-Unit: **12-179**
Statutory authority: 26 MRS §571
Chapter number/title: **Ch. 9**, Occupational Safety and Health Standards for Issuing Variances in the Public Sector
Filing number: **2019-111**
Effective date: 7/7/2019
Type of rule: Routine Technical
Emergency rule: No

Principal reason or purpose for rule:

The purpose of this chapter is to incorporate by reference where applicable rules governing Occupational Safety and Health as promulgated by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration at 29 CFR Part 1905 as of June 1, 2018.

Basis statement:

Adoption of this work rule establishes procedures and standards for application, review and issuance of variance(s) that ensure safe and healthful working conditions for public employees.

Fiscal impact of rule:

(No response)

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Umbrella-Unit: **12-179**
Statutory authority: 26 MRS §565
Chapter number/title: **Ch. 10**, Occupational Safety and Health Standards for Section 108 Consultation Guidelines in the Public Sector
Filing number: **2019-112**
Effective date: 7/7/2019
Type of rule: Routine Technical
Emergency rule: No

Principal reason or purpose for rule:

The purpose of this chapter is to incorporate by reference where applicable rules governing Occupational Safety and Health as promulgated by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration at 29 CFR Part 1908 as of June 1, 2018.

Basis statement:

Adoption of this work rule establishes procedures and standards outlining consultation guidelines for public employers/employees.

Fiscal impact of rule:

(No response)

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Agency name: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards, **Board of Occupational Safety and Health**
Umbrella-Unit: **12-179**
Statutory authority: 26 MRS §565
Chapter number/title: **Ch. 6**, Recording of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses in the Public Sector
Filing number: **2019-225**
Effective date: 12/15/2019
Type of rule: Routine Technical
Emergency rule: No

Principal reason or purpose for rule:
(See Basis Statement)

Basis statement:

The purpose of Work Rule ch. #6 is to incorporate by reference rules governing the recording of occupational injuries and illnesses as promulgated by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) at 29 CFR Part 1904; this chapter was most recently amended on September 5, 2019.

Fiscal impact of rule:
(No response)